

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB3087

Introduced 2/19/2021, by Rep. Sonya M. Harper

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 25/4

from Ch. 111, par. 2304

Amends the Illinois Dental Practice Act. Provides that the definition of "public health setting" includes a mobile dental van.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Dental Practice Act is amended by changing Section 4 as follows:
- 6 (225 ILCS 25/4) (from Ch. 111, par. 2304)
- 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)
- 8 Sec. 4. Definitions. As used in this Act:
- 9 "Address of record" means the designated address recorded
- 10 by the Department in the applicant's or licensee's application
- 11 file or license file as maintained by the Department's
- 12 licensure maintenance unit. It is the duty of the applicant or
- 13 licensee to inform the Department of any change of address and
- 14 those changes must be made either through the Department's
- website or by contacting the Department.
- 16 "Department" means the Department of Financial and
- 17 Professional Regulation.
- 18 "Secretary" means the Secretary of Financial and
- 19 Professional Regulation.
- "Board" means the Board of Dentistry.
- "Dentist" means a person who has received a general
- license pursuant to paragraph (a) of Section 11 of this Act and
- 23 who may perform any intraoral and extraoral procedure required

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- in the practice of dentistry and to whom is reserved the responsibilities specified in Section 17.
- "Dental hygienist" means a person who holds a license under this Act to perform dental services as authorized by Section 18.
- "Dental assistant" means an appropriately trained person
 who, under the supervision of a dentist, provides dental
 services as authorized by Section 17.
- 9 "Expanded function dental assistant" means a dental 10 assistant who has completed the training required by Section 11 17.1 of this Act.
- "Dental laboratory" means a person, firm or corporation
 which:
 - (i) engages in making, providing, repairing or altering dental prosthetic appliances and other artificial materials and devices which are returned to a dentist for insertion into the human oral cavity or which come in contact with its adjacent structures and tissues; and
- 19 (ii) utilizes or employs a dental technician to 20 provide such services; and
- 21 (iii) performs such functions only for a dentist or dentists.

"Supervision" means supervision of a dental hygienist or a dental assistant requiring that a dentist authorize the procedure, remain in the dental facility while the procedure is performed, and approve the work performed by the dental

- 1 hygienist or dental assistant before dismissal of the patient,
- 2 but does not mean that the dentist must be present at all times
- 3 in the treatment room.
- 4 "General supervision" means supervision of a dental
- 5 hygienist requiring that the patient be a patient of record,
- 6 that the dentist examine the patient in accordance with
- 7 Section 18 prior to treatment by the dental hygienist, and
- 8 that the dentist authorize the procedures which are being
- 9 carried out by a notation in the patient's record, but not
- 10 requiring that a dentist be present when the authorized
- 11 procedures are being performed. The issuance of a prescription
- 12 to a dental laboratory by a dentist does not constitute
- 13 general supervision.
- 14 "Public member" means a person who is not a health
- 15 professional. For purposes of board membership, any person
- 16 with a significant financial interest in a health service or
- 17 profession is not a public member.
- 18 "Dentistry" means the healing art which is concerned with
- 19 the examination, diagnosis, treatment planning and care of
- 20 conditions within the human oral cavity and its adjacent
- 21 tissues and structures, as further specified in Section 17.
- "Branches of dentistry" means the various specialties of
- 23 dentistry which, for purposes of this Act, shall be limited to
- 24 the following: endodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery,
- orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics, pediatric dentistry,
- 26 periodontics, prosthodontics, and oral and maxillofacial

- 1 radiology.
- 2 "Specialist" means a dentist who has received a specialty
- 3 license pursuant to Section 11(b).
- 4 "Dental technician" means a person who owns, operates or
- 5 is employed by a dental laboratory and engages in making,
- 6 providing, repairing or altering dental prosthetic appliances
- 7 and other artificial materials and devices which are returned
- 8 to a dentist for insertion into the human oral cavity or which
- 9 come in contact with its adjacent structures and tissues.
- "Impaired dentist" or "impaired dental hygienist" means a
- 11 dentist or dental hygienist who is unable to practice with
- 12 reasonable skill and safety because of a physical or mental
- disability as evidenced by a written determination or written
- 14 consent based on clinical evidence, including deterioration
- 15 through the aging process, loss of motor skills, abuse of
- drugs or alcohol, or a psychiatric disorder, of sufficient
- degree to diminish the person's ability to deliver competent
- 18 patient care.
- "Nurse" means a registered professional nurse, a certified
- 20 registered nurse anesthetist licensed as an advanced practice
- 21 registered nurse, or a licensed practical nurse licensed under
- the Nurse Practice Act.
- "Patient of record" means a patient for whom the patient's
- 24 most recent dentist has obtained a relevant medical and dental
- 25 history and on whom the dentist has performed an examination
- and evaluated the condition to be treated.

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"Dental responder" means a dentist or dental hygienist who 1 2 is appropriately certified in disaster preparedness, immunizations, and dental humanitarian medical 3 consistent with the Society of Disaster Medicine and Public 5 Health and training certified by the National Management System or the National Disaster Life Support 6 7 Foundation.

"Mobile dental van or portable dental unit" means any self-contained or portable dental unit in which dentistry is practiced that can be moved, towed, or transported from one location to another in order to establish a location where dental services can be provided.

"Public health dental hygienist" means a hygienist who holds a valid license to practice in the State, has 2 years of full-time clinical experience or an equivalent of 4,000 hours of clinical experience and has completed at least 42 clock hours of additional structured courses in dental education in advanced areas specific to public health dentistry.

"Public health setting" means a federally qualified health center; a federal, State, or local public health facility; Head Start; a special supplemental nutrition program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) facility; or a certified school-based health center or school-based oral health program; or a mobile dental van.

"Public health supervision" means the supervision of a public health dental hygienist by a licensed dentist who has a

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- written public health supervision agreement with that public health dental hygienist while working in an approved facility or program that allows the public health dental hygienist to treat patients, without a dentist first examining the patient and being present in the facility during treatment, (1) who are eligible for Medicaid or (2) who are uninsured and whose household income is not greater than 200% of the federal
- "Teledentistry" means the use of telehealth systems and methodologies in dentistry and includes patient care and education delivery using synchronous and asynchronous communications under a dentist's authority as provided under this Act.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 100-215, eff. 1-1-18; 100-513, eff. 1-1-18;
- 15 100-863, eff. 8-14-18; 101-64, eff. 7-12-19; 101-162, eff.
- 16 7-26-19; revised 9-27-19.)

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